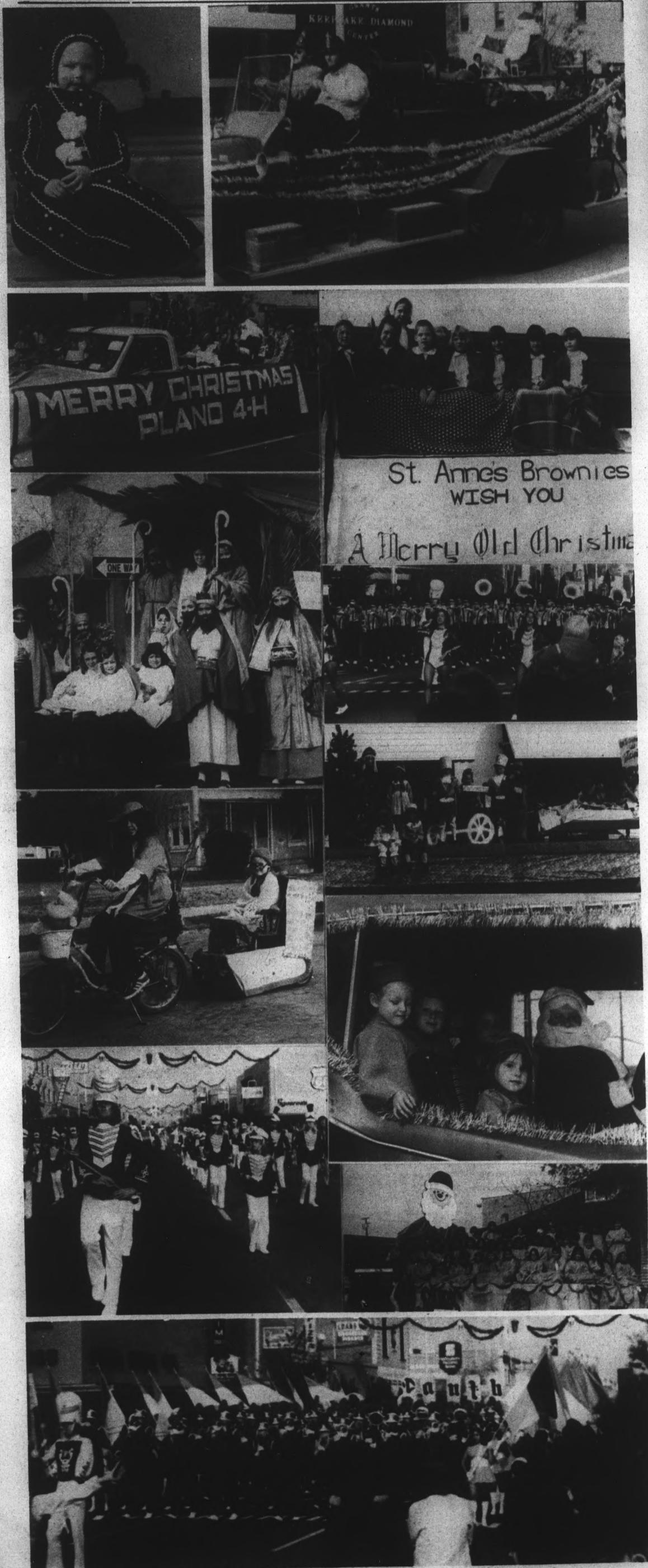


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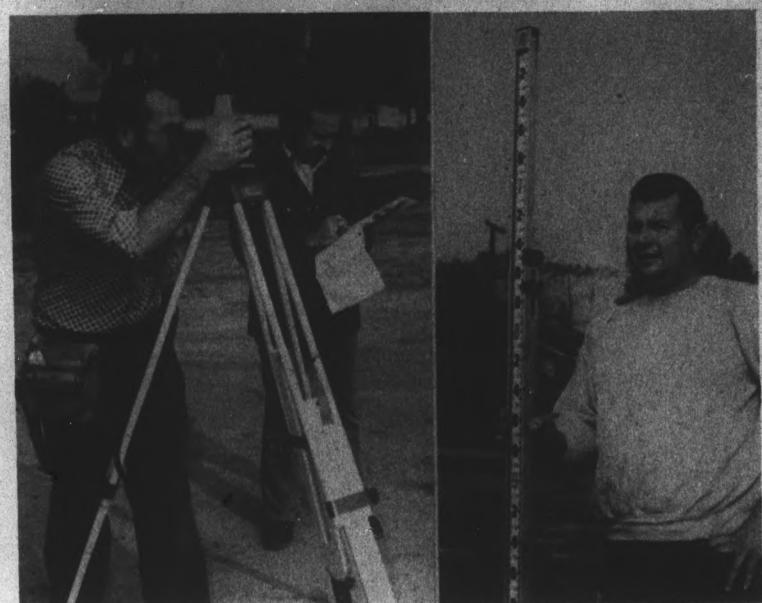
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## POINTING TOWARD '76



WAYNE HARRIS, left, Porterville civil engineer, has donated his efforts in completing a topographic survey and setting grade stakes on the Porterville fairgrounds as preliminary work prior to construction of new fair barns. Working with him are Fair Directors Joe Faure and Doug Webb. (Farm Tribune photos)

### PRELIMINARY SURVEY COMPLETED; FAIR BARN BIDS WILL BE CALLED

P O R T E R V I L L E — Preliminary topographic survey has been completed on the Porterville fairgrounds and fair directors are hopeful that bids on new livestock barns can be called for by the Porterville city council at December 16 meeting.

Survey work was donated by Wayne Harris, Porterville civil engineer, who placed grade stakes in the area north and west of the Porterville armory

building and along the north and east sides of the present fairgrounds where new barns will be located.

Considerable fill will be necessary prior to construction of metal barns and show rings that will cover a total area of 38,000 square feet.

Since federal revenue sharing funds - in the amount of \$50,000 - will be used in barn

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### Powell And Cattlemen To Cooperate In Prosecution Of Cattle Rustlers

TAGUS RANCH — Tulare County District Attorney Jay Powell has asked for and received cooperation of the Tulare County Cattlemen's association toward more successful prosecution of cattle rustling cases.

At a Saturday night dinner at Tagus ranch, Powell told the group that these cases are often lost in court because his office doesn't have qualified witnesses to call on to describe the complexities of the cattle industry - brands, bills of sale, etc.

Several members, following the example of Jack Shannon, of Porterville, and Association President Glen Fink, volunteered to be available to the DA's office for such testimony.

Powell said that he has a strong ruling in his office regarding cattle theft cases. "All such cases," he said, "unless the deputy has received written permission from him or the assistant DA, will be taken to court."

Powell reviewed the standing of the Agricultural Labor Relations Board's "access ruling." As far as his office is concerned, he said he will not take some 80 cases in the county to court until the State Supreme court hands down a decision in a similar case.

Major question in the case is whether the administrative

appointed agency can make a ruling which will override a law made by the state legislature regarding a property owner's right to refuse entrance to his property.

Union organizers contend that under the ALRB ruling they can enter property in order to talk with farm laborers about their organizations.

Powell said the issue boils down to a conflict of two basic rights - that of freedom of speech and the right to private

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THEY WERE back again - John Carr, top, and George Farnsworth, bottom, members of the Porterville High School Class of 1916 who were in town last week with their wives to continue planning for a 60-year class reunion in the Bicentennial year of 1976. Committee working on the event are Farnsworth, now residing in Greenbank, Washington, chairman; Carr, who lives in Long Beach; and from Porterville: Mary Sprott, Beulan Bunker, Fanny Williams, and Merrill Dennis.

(Farm Tribune photos)

### SCICON

VISALIA — Fund drive that aimed for final, complete payment on 1,000 acres of land that will become a part of SCICON on Bear creek, north of Springville, will be supplemented by a loan of approximately \$32,000 and title to the remaining 300 acres of the 1,000 acre block will go to the county department of education when the loan transaction is completed.

Original price of the 1,000  
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## Ranchers Cotton Oil Establishes All-Time Records In Past Season

FRESNO — Operations of Ranchers Cotton Oil the past season established all-time records in volume of cotton seed crushed and products manufactured and sold, C.R. Rathbone, president, reported recently at the 34th annual meeting in the Fresno Hilton hotel.

A processing and marketing organization with plants in Fresno and Bakersfield,

Ranchers represents approximately 2,100 cotton growers affiliated with cooperative cotton gins in the San Joaquin valley.

Rathbone said deliveries of 1974 crop seed from 49 associated ginning organizations were 50% greater than the record set one year earlier.

Final returns to growers have not yet been determined; however, Rathbone said they

will be second only to last year on a per ton basis. These results have been obtained even though the industry has faced a falling market throughout the year, he added.

"Final figures will show a return of over \$50 per bale to the grower-member for his seed. This means an additional 10 cents per pound, or 20% of his gross income from growing cotton," Rathbone explained.

Starting the new season, Rathbone stated product prices are dramatically lower than a year ago because of an oversupply of other oilseed products.

"However, they still are at a level about double those of five to ten years ago. As a result, from the 1975 crop we would expect returns to growers in the neighborhood of \$25 per bale,

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## NEW ANALYSIS OF CALIFORNIA CORN PRODUCTION

DAVIS — An updated analysis of corn production costs in California has just been published by Cooperative Extension, and is now available at county farm advisor offices.

Corn production in the state has more than doubled in the past 10 years, according to Extension Economist Doyle Reed who compiled the cost study.

"New developments in close row planting and better information on fertilizer and irrigation requirements are increasing corn yields," Reed said.

He pointed out that California produces only about one percent of the nation's corn crop. However, he noted that in 1974, some 241,000 acres of corn were harvested for grain in California, producing an income of \$103.1 million.

"Increased corn production in the state will have to be marketed either by the reduction of inshipments of corn, a reduction in the production of other feed grains, or an increase in consumption," Reed cautioned.

## DR. HAROLD SNOW HEADS VET. ACADEMY

SAN FRANCISCO — The newly formed California Academy of Veterinary Medicine, devoted to furthering the advanced education of the veterinary sciences, has just elected its first president, Dr. Harold Snow of Los Angeles, to serve for the 1976 calendar year.

or five cents a pound."

Guido Lombardi of Porterville, board chairman, said Acala SJ-4, a new variety of planting cottonseed available for the first time for planting in 1975, will be of material benefit because of its superior quality seed for oil milling purposes. This, in turn, will assure a higher level of earnings returned to the grower for his seed as compared with earlier Acala strains, he said.

Because of favorable experience this year a greater acreage of SJ-4 cotton is expected in 1976, particularly in areas of the San Joaquin Valley cotton belt which have suffered from production losses due to wilt in past years, Lombardi added.

Rathbone described the past season as "traumatic" because of the record deliveries, falling market, a major program of plant expansion and a damaging fire at the Bakersfield facility.

Rathbone expressed special thanks to employees for their extra effort in overcoming the difficulties and stated that despite the problems Ranchers now is in the best financial shape in its 24-year history.

California had 6,205 acres of celery growing as of December 1, slightly less than a year ago.

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## MILLION DOLLAR PHONE SYSTEM

WASHINGTON — Santa Claus will get a modern telephone system, thanks to a \$1 million government loan.

The loan, by the U.S. department of agriculture's rural telephone bank, will be used to finance a single party telephone service to the town of Santa Claus and Christmas Lake Village, in Indiana. The money went to the Perry-Spencer Rural Telephone cooperative, Tell City, to help it replace an older, multi-party system now in service, and to serve additional customers in the area.

The town of Santa Claus is located in the rolling hills of southern Indiana. For more than a quarter of a century it has been the doorstep to a fairyland dedicated to children everywhere. Over the years a giant, 40-ton granite statue of Santa and the echoing "Ho-Ho-Ho's" have drawn hundreds of thousands of visitors through its gates.

The U.S. Post office at Santa Claus receives and postmarks thousands of letters each year during the Christmas season. Two trains, a toyland museum, a candy castle, Santa's elves and reindeer and Santa's headquarters are some of the attractions.

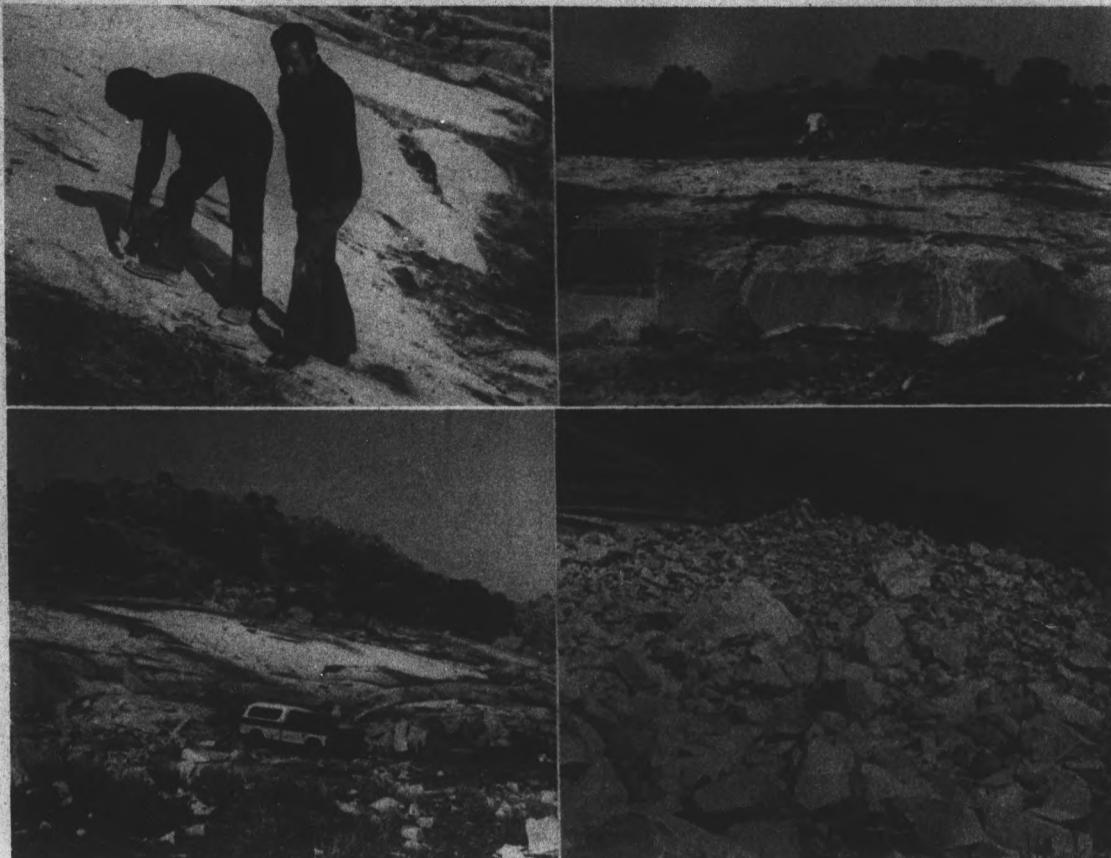
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THE OLD Porterville granite quarry had a brief flare of new life last Thursday when a smooth granite slope at the quarry was turned into a pile of rip-rap by a single shot of some three tons of Hercomix Nitro

Carbo, placed in deeply-drilled holes and fired by Lee Ingles, of the Marysville firm of Ingles Drilling and Blasting. The rip-rap will be trucked to the Hanford area for use by the Army Corps of Engineers on a Kings river

project. Working with Ingles were Hardy Story, of Marysville, and Roger Moore and William Manuel, of Porterville. Photo at right shows the explosion; the four photos at left, from top



left, show Ingles, standing, and Story setting charges; Moore and Manuel working near the top of the blast area; the smooth, granite hillside, back of the vehicle, with charges about

ready, and the way this same area looked after the shot. There is no further work now contemplated at the quarry, other than trucking out the rip-rap. (Farm Tribune photos)

### We Only Heard By BILL RODGERS

**SHORT SHOTS** - If there was a contest for lousy, asinine TV ad of the year, a top contender would be the New York Life ad that has the little guy, or the little girl, making a broken field run through a crowd of football monsters to score for the NYL... While valley farmers are correctly pointing out that nuclear power plants should be located on the coast where an ocean of water is available for cooling, the state commission for coastal protection recommends no more shoreline power plants unless energy conservation measures have been exhausted and alternative inland sites have been ruled out as more environmentally damaging. We suppose an agreement can be worked out quickly - say by about 2076, maybe... As a result of bilingual ballot nonsense, the June ballot pamphlet in San Francisco will carry English, Spanish and Chinese translations, will contain 320 pages and will weigh more than a pound. In Inyo county the law says ballot information

must be published in American Indian, which is interesting indeed since there is no American Indian language... The big bird that seems to have found a home on a power pole just west of the Rocky Hill racetrack is not an ordinary hawk sitting there eating a fish. It's an Osprey sitting there eating a fish... There must be some individuals with fog vision, an inclination to play Russian roulette, or to gamble - with their lives and the lives of others. Specifically, it is most amazing to see mad motorists roaring by on a two-lane road when the fog is so thick that we po'r ol' blind citizens can't even see the fences along the side of the road... And, by the way - just 12 more shopping days until you know what.

### UTKE NAMED TO TRADE COMMITTEE

**VAN NUYS** - President Gerald R. Ford has named Roy Utke, president of Sunkist Growers, Inc., to a two-year term on the Advisory Committee for Trade Negotiations.

### WILD BURRO IMPACT ON PUBLIC LANDS IS BEING STUDIED

**RIDGECREST** - The impact of wild burros on public lands was investigated by the National Advisory board on Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros at a public hearing in Ridgecrest, December 5-6, with the public meeting on December 5, at the China Lake Naval Weapons center, followed on December 6, by a field tour of lands administered by the Navy, National Park service and Bureau of Land Management.

Date harvest is in full swing in Riverside county.

### PORTEVILLE MEN IN AIR FORCE

**VISALIA** - Two Porterville men have enlisted in the United

States Air Force - Roger Dale Beard, a 1975 graduate of Porterville High school, and Gary Dale Shook, a 1975 graduate of Porterville Adult school.

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## State Water Resources Control Board Asks Appeal Of Decision On "Rights"

SACRAMENTO — The State Water Resources Control board has moved to reverse a U.S. District Court decision which stripped from the board its power to impose terms or conditions on water rights granted to the federal government for reclamation projects in California.

The board, by resolution, formally requested Attorney General Evelle J. Younger to "appeal diligently" the New Melones decision.

Chairman Win Adams said, "We firmly believe that no person or entity should be held immune from the principles of

law which govern all others in California. We don't believe in double standards in the conservation and use of our waters."

Adams said California has been committed for decades to the principles that its waters are the property of all the people of the State.

"The waters are to be conserved in the interest of all the people and for the public welfare," he said.

The State Water Resources Control board is the regulatory agency with the responsibility to oversee administration of

California water rights, and thereby to assure that appropriation and use of California's waters will be in the public interest.

"The Bureau of Reclamation for many decades has sought and received entitlements from the state to use California's waters, following the filing of applications and pursuant to the same legal processes that are applicable to all who appropriate California's waters," Adams said. "During that time the Bureau has enjoyed the benefits of such entitlements on an equal basis within our State."

"But this district court opinion provides that the Bureau can take unappropriated water for use in any federal reclamation project free from state-imposed terms and conditions - terms and conditions which are designed to protect the interests of Californians. Its impact is far broader than the New Melones questions which were before the court."

The appeal ordered by the State Board will go to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, but is eventually expected to work its way up to the Supreme Court.

## NEW EDITION OF COWMAN'S INCOME

DAVIS — Management of bulls, cows and calves and herd health are some of the topics covered in the new edition of "Factors Affecting the Cowman's Income," published by University of California Cooperative extension. The publication can be obtained from the Tulare County Extension service office. The authors are Reuben Albaugh, extension animal scientist; Robert Bushnell, extension animal health specialist, and Edmond Loomis, extension parasitologist.

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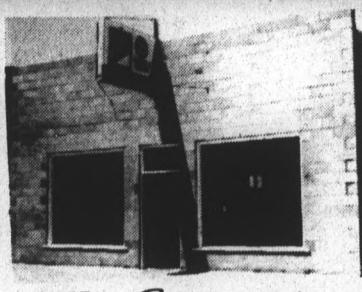


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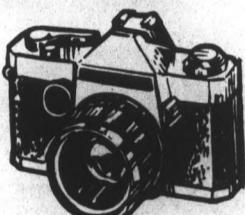
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The airport is sprinkled with lights. Long blue lines of lights, marking the runways. Flashing lights on the planes, marking the port and starboard. Lights on fire engines, and golf carts, and luggage carriers (and there goes ALBERTA's suitcase on its way to Japan). Lights in the long windows down the sides of the planes, and lights on the catering trucks pulling up to the sides of the planes with their loads of goodies. The catering trucks have a fancy way to making the body of the truck go up in a kind of elevator thing to reach the door of the big planes. Then the lights of the planes in the landing pattern coming across the bay and reflecting in the water of the bay. What wonderful planning to keep all those planes from having tragic accidents more often.

Best of all - the excitement and noise of an airport. The loud speakers calling names to come to the main gate. I always listen, but they never call me. I no doubt would pass gently away, if they did call my name. Then the

special noise of the jets taking off, and landing. Is it true that tomorrow I will be in one of those planes swooping up into the wild blue yonder? Scary.

Then the next morning. Checking luggage through, and getting a boarding pass, and finally up up and away over San Francisco, then over the Delta looking down on the houseboats and Bethel Island. We have learned to mark our suitcases. We take masking tape and put big crosses on the sides of our luggage. Some people have bathroom decals, and some have fancy designs. On local flights you can now take everything but the kitchen sink, weight is no problem unless you are going international. Then they get fussy. The security is still quite rigid, which is OK with me, but some people really object. I really don't know why, it is for their own protection. Passengers got on our plane, who had just come from the Islands. They were very weary, and the leis around their necks were quite wilted, and they had four hours to go, but they had had fun fun. We like to sit by the window, and it still is a shock to me that they don't have the names of the states printed down there, like a huge map. I like it when the pilot calls our attention to something special. I like the idea of the pilot being awake and minding the store up front. I wonder how our children will travel when they are our age.

Happiness is coming home.

### DEMAND FOR PROTEIN FOODS

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz says that growing demand for protein foods in Eastern Europe and the Middle East "will bring those countries increasingly into the market for feedstuffs produced on American farms.



SECOND ACRE for Scicon was purchased last week by the Porterville Kiwanis club, with Earl Noel, center, first vice president of the club and agri-conservation chairman giving a check to Oliver Mason, left, Scicon representative. At right is Club President Kenneth Miller who complimented Mason on the successful job that has been done locally and county-wide in raising the money for purchase of 1,000 acres at Scicon and said the Kiwanis club is happy to support such a project. (Hammond Studio photo)

### WILLIAM GIANELLI RECEIVES BUREAU'S CITIZEN AWARD

SACRAMENTO — Former California Department of Water Resources Director William Gianelli received the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Citizen's Award, December 4.

Reclamation Commissioner Gilbert G. Stamm said Gianelli has significantly advanced the state of the art of water resource management when he presented the award in San Diego during the association of California Water Agencies fall convention.

Stamm cited Gianelli's successful completion of State Water Project construction while DWR director, and said Gianelli had worked closely with the Bureau as an integral part of California's water management program.

Gianelli is currently a water resource management consultant.

The 1975-76 California Navel orange forecast is for 25 million boxes, 11 percent below the record 1974-75 crop.

## HOW MUCH DOES IT COST? ANSWERS IN NEW CATALOG

BERKELEY — Want to know how much it costs to establish an avocado orchard in Ventura county, raise vine crop seed in the lower Sacramento valley, or run a cow-calf operation in Siskiyou County?

You can find out where to get the answers to these and similar questions from the "Catalog of Crop and Livestock Cost Studies," just published by Cooperative Extension.

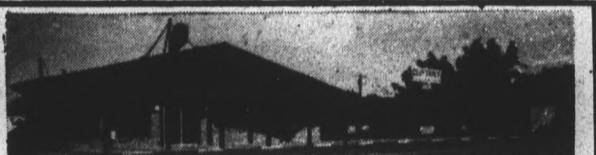
Listed in the new catalog are some 550 currently available Extension publications detailing sample inputs and costs for crops and livestock enterprises in specific areas of California. These publications are not listed in Extension's general catalog.

The new cost studies catalog (Special Publication 3023) is available from county farm advisor offices, and from the Agricultural Economics Extension Office, 276 Voorhies Hall, University of California, Davis.



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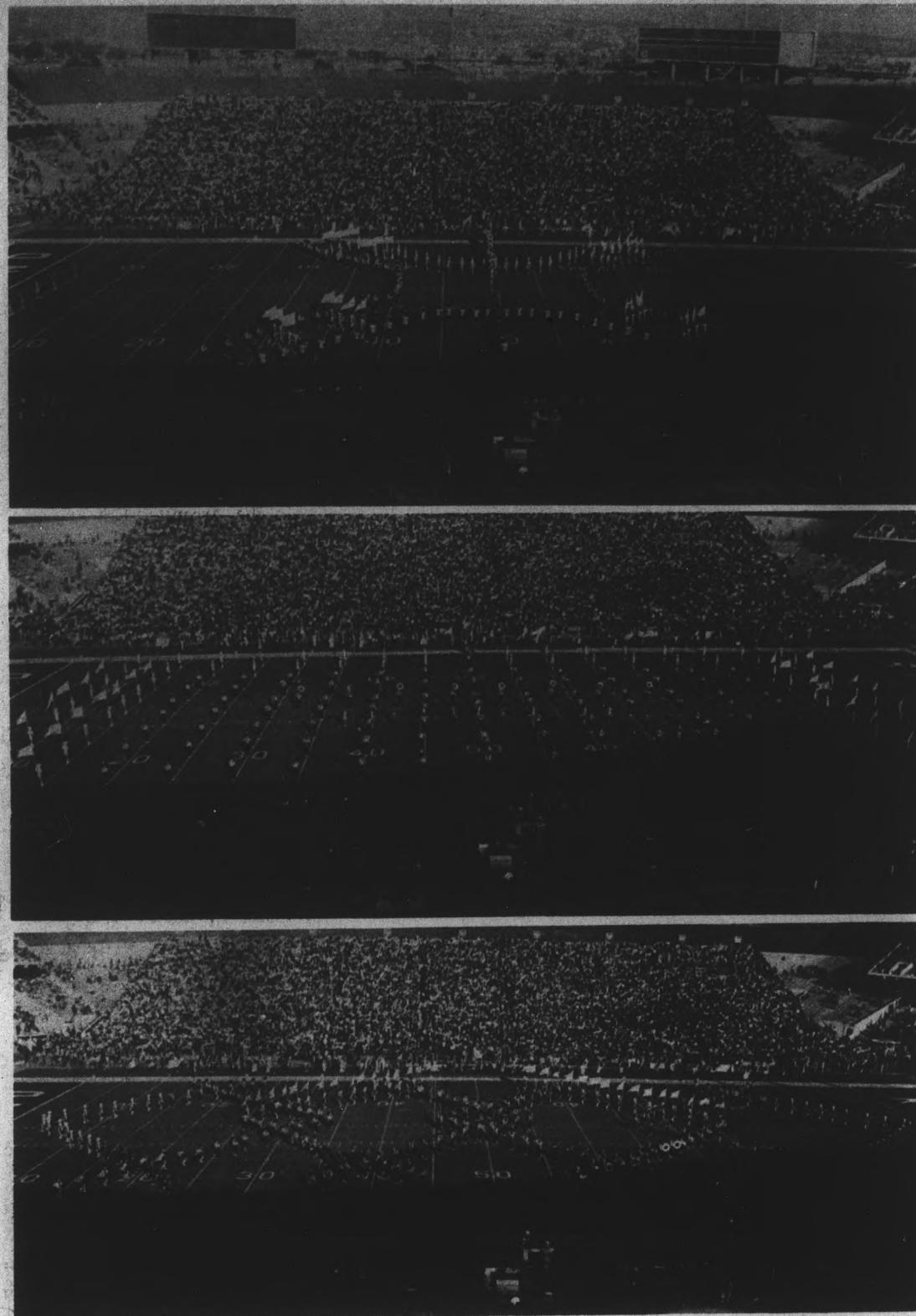
acre tract was \$260,000; periodic fund drives on a county-wide basis have raised virtually all of this money; drives will now be continued to pay off the loan amount.

The Porterville community, as of yesterday, had officially contributed \$42,796.82, plus \$495.00 in pledges, plus some money not yet tabulated in the official figures.

### ARGENTIERI-KNUDSEN HOLSTEIN IS TOPS

VISALIA — A grade Holstein in the Argentieri-Knudsen herd at Visalia topped the Tulare County Dairy Herd Improvement association for the month of October with a production record of 27,910 pounds of milk and 975 pounds of butterfat during a 305-day lactation period.

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ANOTHER BIG one for the Monache Marauder band - a halftime show November 30 during the Oakland-Atlanta professional football game in the Oakland coliseum. Under the

direction of Dale Anderson, the Monache band was joined by the Fresno State University Bulldog band, a 60-voice vocal group, composed of the Monache Concert choir and the Porterville

College Chamber Singers, and 43 members of the Plano 4-H club, bringing total show cast to 383 people. An official crowd of 50,860 gave the show a standing ovation. (Bob May photos)

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## BISHOP NAMED CROP INSURANCE DIRECTOR

FRESNO — Jesse W. Bishop has been appointed California-Arizona Regional director of the Federal Crop Insurance corporation, it has been announced by Melvin R. Peterson, FCIC national manager.

The Fresno Regional office that Bishop heads serves farmers in California and Arizona.

Federal Crop Insurance is a voluntary, self-help service of the U.S. department of agriculture offering farmers protection of crop production costs against loss from drought, storms, freeze and other natural hazards. It is available this year in 1,467 counties in 39 states on combinations of 23 crops.

In 1975, more than a billion and a half dollars in crop production expenses on some 20 million acres is protected by Federal Crop insurance.

The Regional Office is in the Federal building, 1130 "O" street in Fresno with county offices in Stockton and Fresno, and Phoenix and Casa Grande, Arizona.

Insurance is available in ten counties in California and three in Arizona. Farmers in the region are carrying \$15,700,282 liability in Federal Crop insurance protection on 74,889 acres this year.

### SPECIFIC LABELLING FOOD PRODUCTS RESEMBLING MILK

SACRAMENTO — Due to recent legislation, milk, milk products and products resembling milk products bearing such statements as "low calorie," "nonfat," "skim," "lowfat," or "diet," sold after January 1, 1976, must also state the amount of calories, protein, fat, and carbohydrates per specified serving.

Before enactment of this legislation, nutritional labeling for "nonfat" and "lowfat" products was optional. L.H. Lockhart, milk and dairy foods control chief, says, "With nutritional labeling, the consumer will be able to check a dairy product's nutritional content and compare it with other products before purchase. This is especially important to those who must watch their nutritional intake."

## LEGAL NOTICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL ASSESSMENT OF THE TEA POT DOME WATER DISTRICT.

In the Matter of the Twenty-

Second Annual Assessment of the TEA POT DOME WATER DIS-

TRICT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TEA POT DOME WATER DIS-

TRICT has, pursuant to Section 36552 of the Water Code of the State of California, filed an estimate of the sum required by the District to dis-

charge all of its obligations, (1) which were then unpaid, and (2) which will

materialize during the next year, and

(3) which probably will be incurred

and mature during the next year, and

that Tuesday, December 30th, 1975,

at the hour of 9:00 o'clock A.M. in

the forenoon in the chambers of the

Board of Supervisors in the City of

Visalia, State of California, has been

fixed as the time and place when and

where the Board of Supervisors of

Tulare County will meet as a Board

of Equalization and hear all ob-

jections presented to it regarding the

correctness of any assessment of the

TEA POT DOME WATER DIS-

TRICT and all testimony relevant to

such objections and continue in ses-

sion from day to day until all ob-

jections and relevant evidence have been

heard and acted upon, and that the

assessment book of the said District

is on file with the Clerk of said Board

of Supervisors and may be inspected

by the public at the office of the

Clerk of said Board in said Court-

house at Visalia, California, at any

time during business hours until the

completion of the hearing.

Dated: This 2nd day of December,

1975.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF

SUPERVISORS.

JAY C. BAYLESS, COUNTY

CLERK and Ex Officio Clerk

of the Board of Supervisors.

By Bobby Gragg, Deputy Clerk

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### FARM WORK SURVEY WILL BE MADE DECEMBER 15-20

LOS ANGELES — Information about farm work done for pay during the past year and about migratory farm work will be collected by the Bureau of the Census in Tulare county during the week of December 15-20.

Farm work questions are in addition to the ones asked regularly in the monthly survey on employment and unemployment conducted by the Bureau for the U.S. Department of Labor.

This ongoing survey provides a continuous measure of conditions in America's labor force. About 70,000 households across the country, scientifically selected to represent a cross section of U.S. households, are included in the survey each month.

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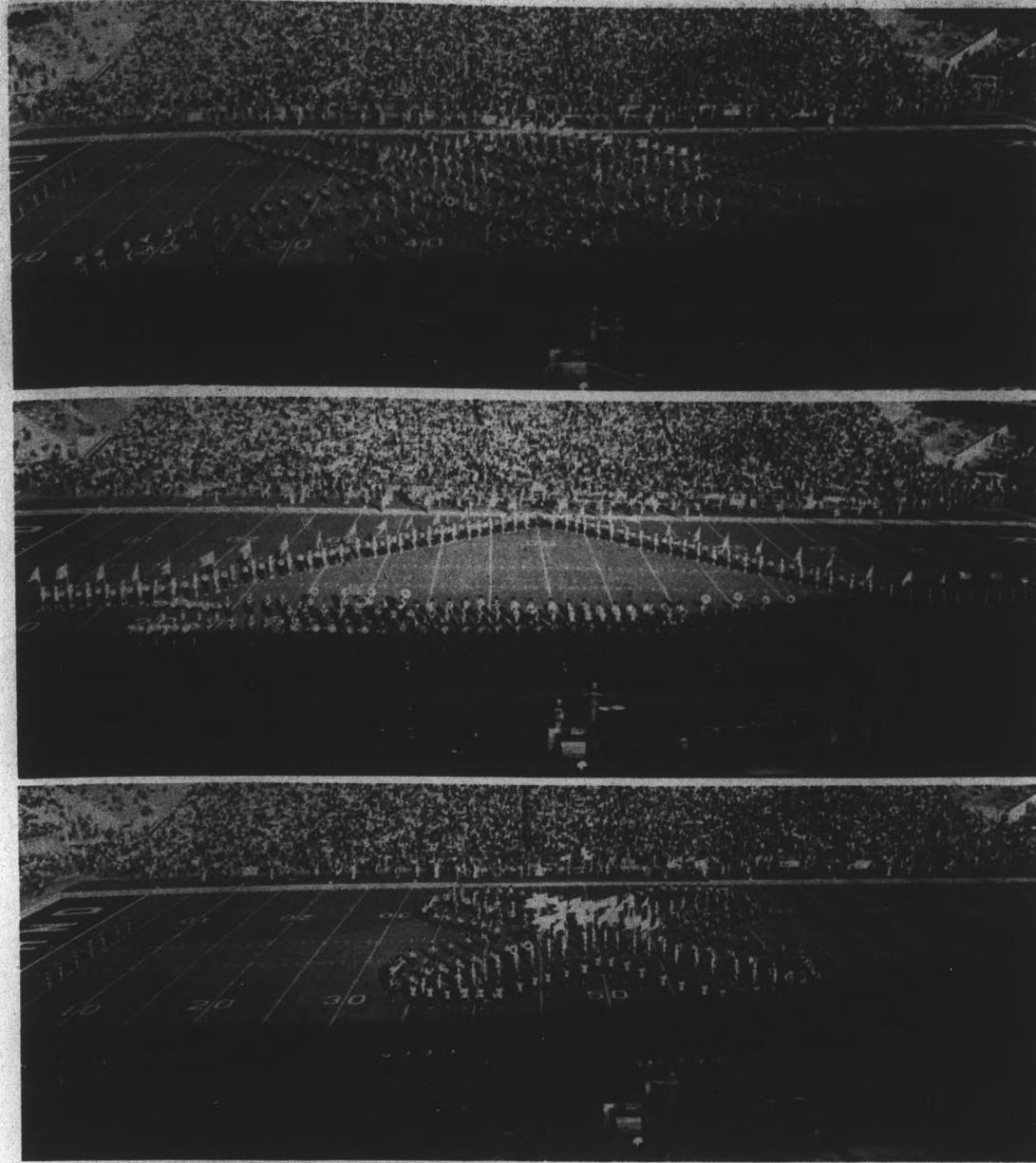
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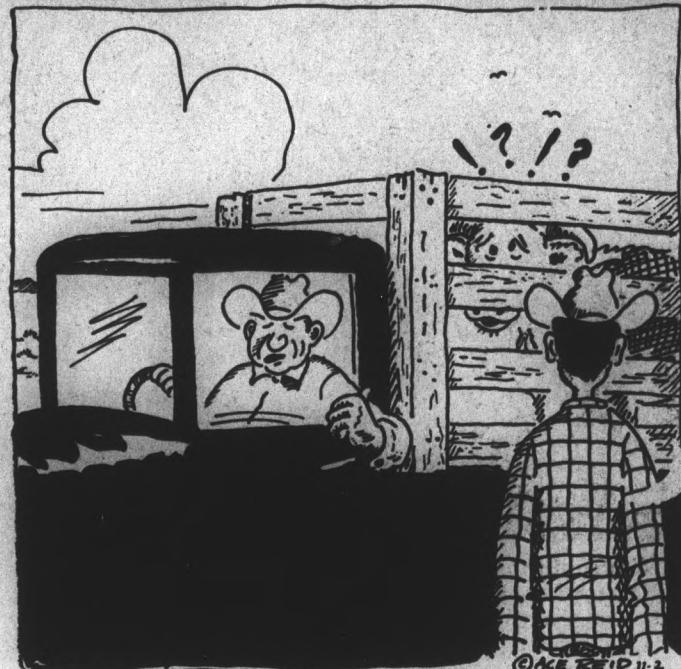
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By Ace Reid



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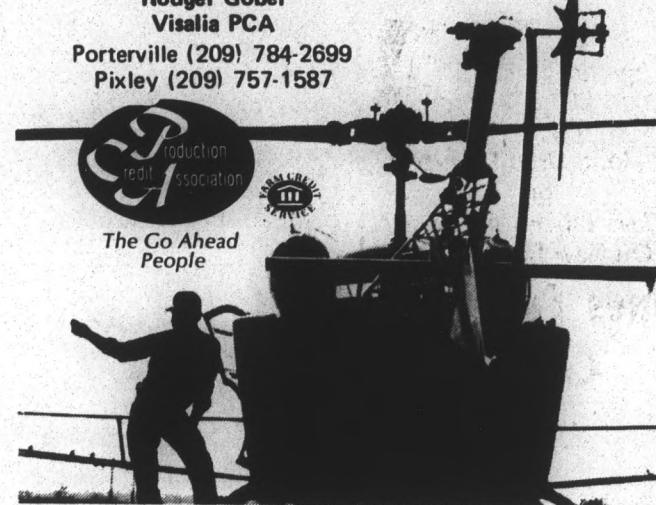
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NEIL WEISENBERGER, left, a 1975 graduate of Monache High school, displays the tree and shrub hoist he designed and built - and recently won a sixth place award and check for it from the James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation. At right is Monache agriculture and shop instructor, John Brockman. Weisenberger is currently attending Porterville college and plans to teach high school agriculture after graduating from Cal Poly.

## USDA MOVES TO HOLD MEAT IMPORTS AT LEVEL PROVIDED IN AGREEMENT

WASHINGTON — The U.S. department of agriculture has announced it is taking action to prevent 1975 U.S. imports of Australian meat from exceeding the 638.5 million pounds in a bilateral agreement negotiated earlier this year with the Australian government.

The level was negotiated under the Meat Import Law of

1964. It was one of a series of agreements with supplying countries aimed at limiting U.S. imports of meat subject to the law to 1,180 million pounds for the year.

Department officials said that through September, Australian imports, virtually all beef, had reached 556 million pounds and we now believe import levels are near or have reached the agreed limit.

Some frost damage to barley has been reported in California's central coast area.

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## Cotton Production Record Must Be Kept On Each Farm

VISALIA — Pointing out that producers need to file production records for each cotton allotment farm each year, Gene Bennett, executive director of the Tulare County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation service (ASCS), has emphasized the importance of identifying all cotton harvested with the farm on which it was grown.

"The producer who is operating more than one farm should take care not to commingle the cotton from his farms. Separate production evidence is required from each farm in order to establish future payment yields. It's also needed in determining eligibility for and amount of disaster payments," Bennett said.

Cotton farmers are asked to file their production records with the county ASCS office as soon as possible after they have completed a farm's cotton harvest.

Lettuce cutting is starting in Imperial valley; continuing active in Palo Verde valley.

and performance of public officials.

"The Grand Jury is an inquisitorial and investigative body and is a part of the machinery of government whose object is the detection and correction of flaws in government, and the detection of crime among its citizens.

"The primary function of the Grand Jury, and the most important reason for its existence, is the examination of all aspects of county government and special districts.

"In general," Matzke said, "the jury works to assure honest, efficient government in the best interests of the people."

Committees of the Grand jury and their membership this

year are: ADMINISTRATION, James E. Like, Lindsay, chairman; Bette Goettle, Tulare, secretary; Glenn Mar, Visalia; Ralph W. Mehrten, Exeter; Albert F. Bain, Visalia; Velia A. Parraz, Exeter; Lori Mangine, Visalia.

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TAXATION AND AUDIT, Ralph W. Mehrten, chairman; Tony Hernandez, secretary; Evelyn Benson; James E. Like; Marylou McComber, William J. Perez.

### Barn Bids . . .

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construction, the project must be technically handled on a bid basis through the city of Porterville.

Federal money was made available through the efforts of Tulare County Supervisor Ray Muller; plans and specifications for the basic barn structures are being completed by Architect Jack Haylett, of Visalia.

Barns are the only units of planned fairgrounds development that will be bid; other work will be done on a "local" basis with building trades personnel handling jobs requiring technical skills and supervising volunteer workers who are already telling fair directors they will help with the project.

Major work, in addition to livestock barn construction, that is targeted for completion prior to opening of the 1976 Bicentennial fair includes complete remodelling and renovation of the existing commercial exhibit building; enlarging the horticulture display area; construction of four new concession buildings and a new rest room-dressing room facility in the area where livestock barns are now located.

Ultimate plan also includes a new home economics building.

Fair directors working as a development planning committee are Joe Faure, Guido Lombardi, and Doug Webb. Heading finance development is Director Joe Mosconi.

### Cattle Rustlers . . .

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property, and that it will be the State Supreme court's responsibility to decide which gives way to the other. He could make no predictions when this decision would be made.

Powell did say there is a State statute which says "emergency rulings" (and the ALRB was established on an emergency basis) will be good for 120 days unless the agency files copies with both houses of the state legislature.

Powell said the ruling has not been filed with the State Senate, which will mean the ruling is up this month.

"It may just die," said Powell.

Egg production in California during October was 720 million eggs, slightly below October, 1974.

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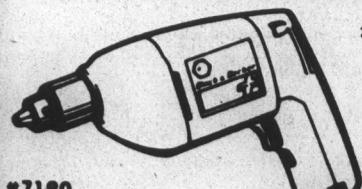
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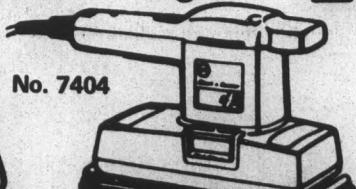


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